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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

DOCKET No.: 8600-0197.30

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Harbury et al.

SERIAL NO.: 09/421,422

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EXAMINER: P. Ponnaluri

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Amendment in Response to Restriction Requirement

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2000, please amend the application as follows. A petition for a three month extension of time and the required fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) is enclosed herein, making this a timely response.

REMARKS

I. Invention Groups Proposed By The Examiner.

In the above referenced Office action, the Examiner divided the claims into the following groups:

Group I. Claims 1-10, drawn to a method of synthesizing a plurality of compounds, classified in class 436, subclass 518.

Group II. Claim 11-13, drawn to a library of nucleic acid tags, classified in class 536, subclass 23.1.